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In re Application of:

FRIDKIN et al

Appln. No. 09/117,380

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Examiner: R. Hutson

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Atty.Docket: FRIDKIN=1

AMENDMENT

Honorable Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated September 12, 2000, please amend the present application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Rewrite claim 1 in amended form as follows:

1 (Amended). [A] An isolated peptide capable of inhibiting in vitro the enzymatic activity of human Leukocyte Elastase (hLE) and/or of human Cathepsin G (hCG), said peptide being selected from:

(i) a core peptide (corresponding) <u>identical</u> to positions 89-96 of the sequence of human C-reactive protein (CRP) of the formula:

 $Val_{89}-Thr-Val-Ala-Pro-Val-His-Ile_{96} \ \, (of \ \, SEQ \ \, ID \ \, NO:3)$ or a modification thereof characterized by:

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